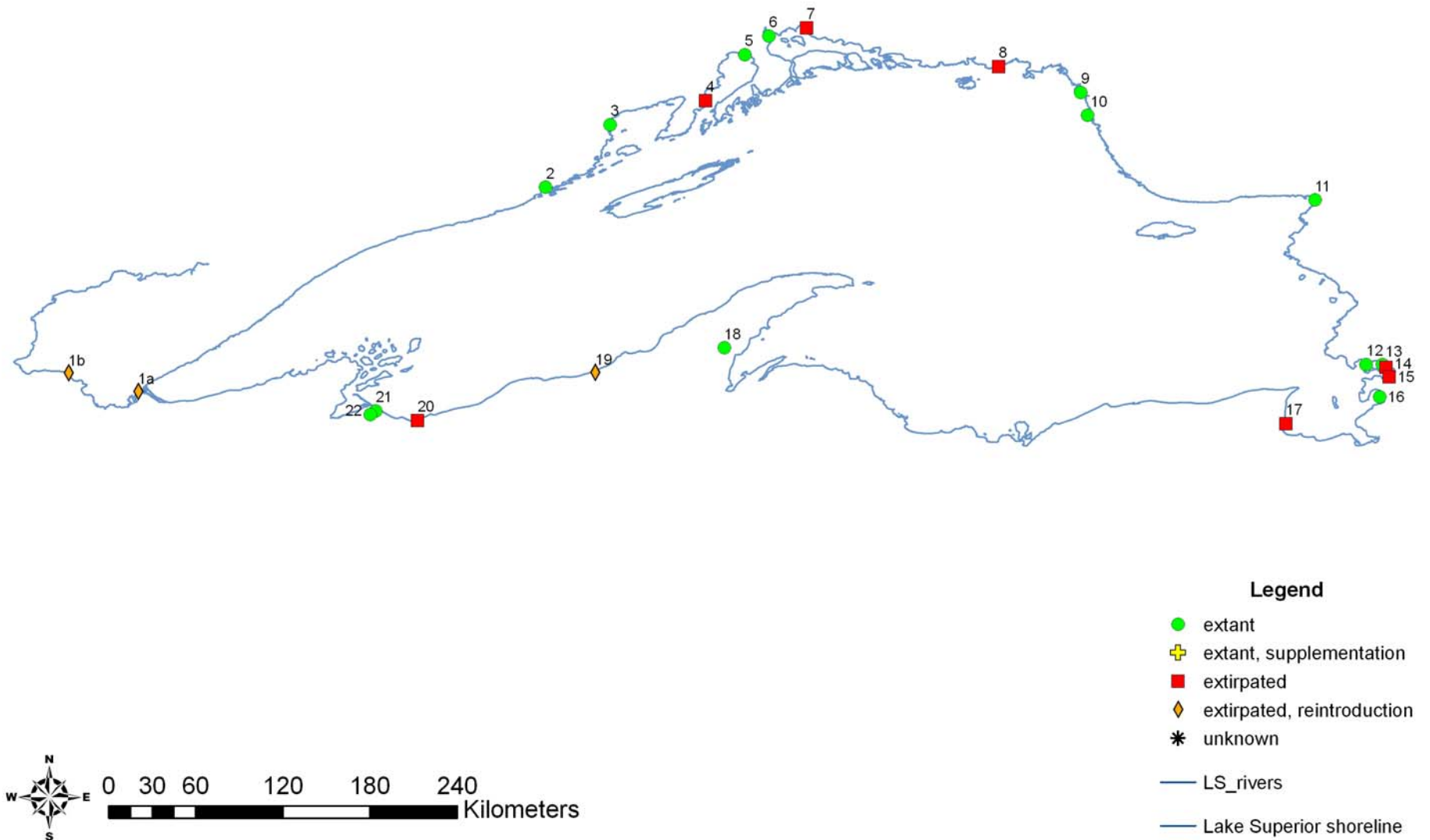


Lake Sturgeon Status Lake Superior



Lake Superior

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Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Observations:				Reproduction Successful?
				Adults	Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
Lake Superior								
1a	St. Louis River (lower)	Extirpated Re-I	0	Occ	Unk	Unk	Yes (Re-I)	Unknown
1b	St. Louis River (upper)	Extirpated Re-I	0	Unk	No	No	Occ (Re-I)	No
2	Pigeon River	Extant	0	Occ	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unknown
3	Kaministiquia River	Extant	140 - 175	Yes	Occ	Occ	Yes	Yes
4	Wolf River	Extirpated						
5	Black Sturgeon River	Extant	Unknown	Yes	Unk	No	Occ	Unknown
6	Nipigon River	Extant	Unknown	Yes	Unk	No	Occ	Unknown
7	Gravel River	Extirpated						
8	Prairie River	Extirpated						
9	Pic River	Extant	Unknown	Yes	Unk	Unk	Yes	Yes
10	White River, Ont	Extant	0	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unknown
11	Michipicoten River	Extant	0	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unknown
12	Batchawana River	Extant	Unknown	Yes	Yes	Occ	Yes	Yes
13	Chippewa River	Extant	Unknown	Occ	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unknown
14	Harmony River	Extirpated						
15	Stokely Creek	Extirpated						
16	Goulais River	Extant	Unknown	Occ	Occ	Occ	Occ	Yes
17	Tahquamenon River	Extirpated						
18	Sturgeon River	Extant	≈200	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
19	Ontonagon River	Extirpated Re-I	0	No	No	No	Yes (Re-I)	No
20	Montreal River, WI/MI	Extirpated						
21	Bad River	Extant	≈250	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
22	White River, WI	Extant	>15	Occ	Occ	Occ	Unk	Yes

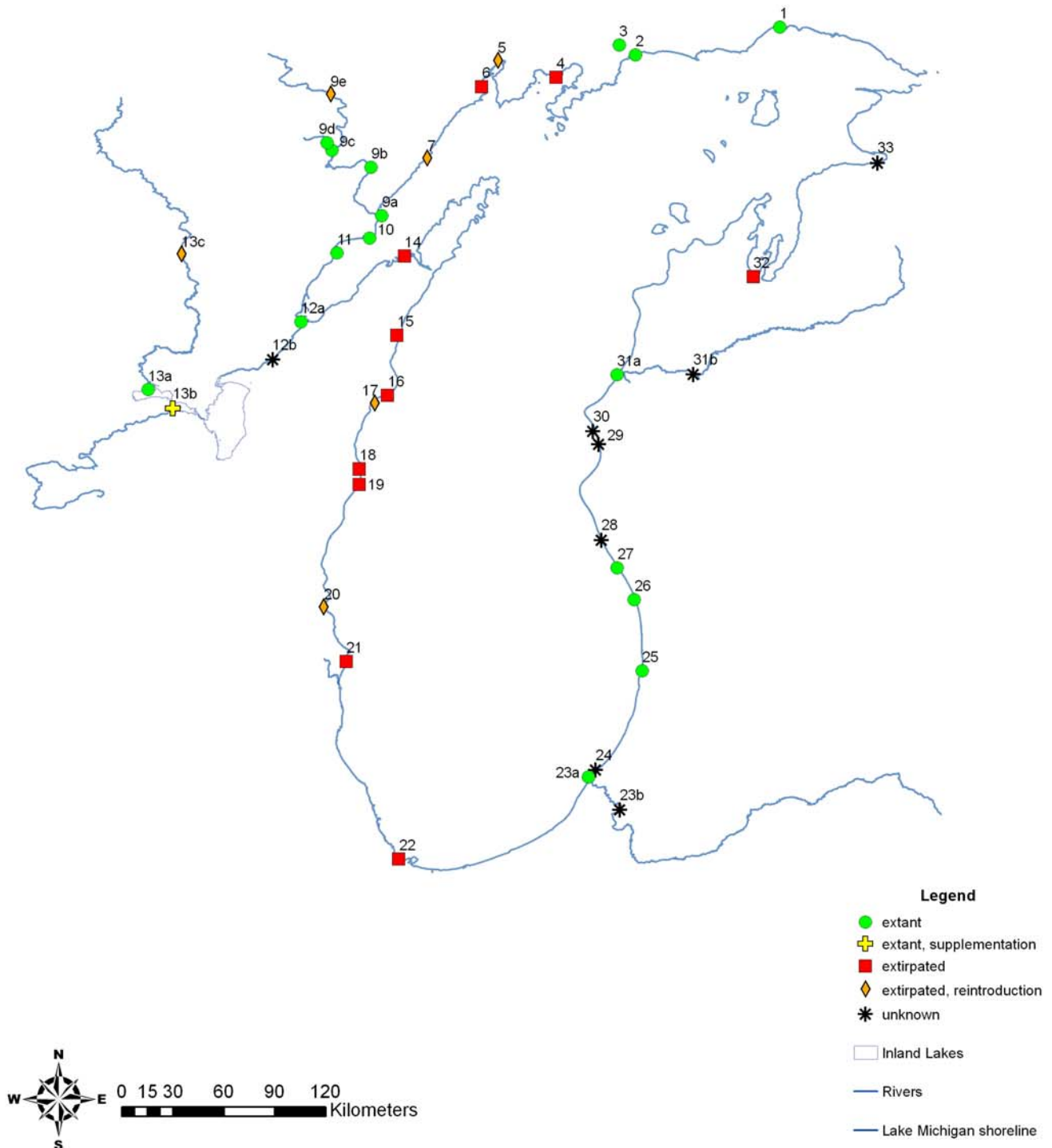
Allowed Harvest: Wisconsin waters: recreational - 1 per year, minimum length 50 inches (127 cm);

Ontario waters: recreational Pigeon R. to Thunder Bay – 1/day, min. length 114 cm (45 in) between 12/1 - 5/12 and 6/15 - 12/31;

Tribal: Grand Portage – no regulations; Pic River – no regulations; Batchawana – no regulations; Bay Mills Indian Community –

recreational – no regulations, commercial - home use of dead fish permitted; Chippewa – Ottawa Resource Authority – recreational – no regulations (harvest discouraged), commercial – home use of dead fish permitted; Keweenaw Bay Indian Community – recreational - 2/year, minimum length 50 inches (127 cm), commercial - home use of dead fish permitted; Bad River Band – recreational – no regulations, commercial – home use permitted; Red Cliff Band – recreational – tributaries 1/year, minimum length 45 inches (114 cm), in lake – follow State regulations, commercial – home use permitted; Fond du Lac Band – recreational – 1/year, commercial – no regulations.

Lake Sturgeon Status Lake Michigan



Lake Michigan

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Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Observations:				Reproduction Successful?
				Adults	Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
Lake Michigan								
1	Millecoquins River	Extant	<10	Occ	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk
2	Manistique River	Extant	<25	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
3	Indian Lake	Extant	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
4	Sturgeon (Nahma) River	Extirpated		Occ				
5	Whitefish River	Extirpated, Re-I		Occ			Yes	Unk
6	Escanaba River	Extirpated		Occ				
7	Cedar River	Extirpated, Re-I		Occ			Yes	Unk
9a	Menominee R. (below last dam)	Extant	>200	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
9b	Menominee R. (below GR dam)	Extant	>200	Yes	Yes	Unk	Yes	Yes
9c	Pike River	Extant	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
9d	Menominee R. (below WR dam)	Extant	>200	Yes	Yes	Unk	Yes	Yes
9e	Menominee R. (below St. Falls)	Extirpated, Re-I	None	No	No	No	Yes	Unk
10	Peshtigo River	Extant	≅200	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
11	Oconto River	Extant	<50	Yes	Yes	Yes	Occ	Yes
12a	Fox River (below last dam)	Extant	≅50	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unk	Yes
12b	Fox River (between dams)	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
13a	L. Winnebago – Wolf R. system	Extant	≅20,000	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
13b	L. Winnebago - Upper Fox R.	Extant, Supp	≅200-300	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
13c	Wolf River – above Keshena	Extirpated, Re-I	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
14	Sturgeon Bay area shoals	Extirpated						
15	Kewaunee River	Extirpated						

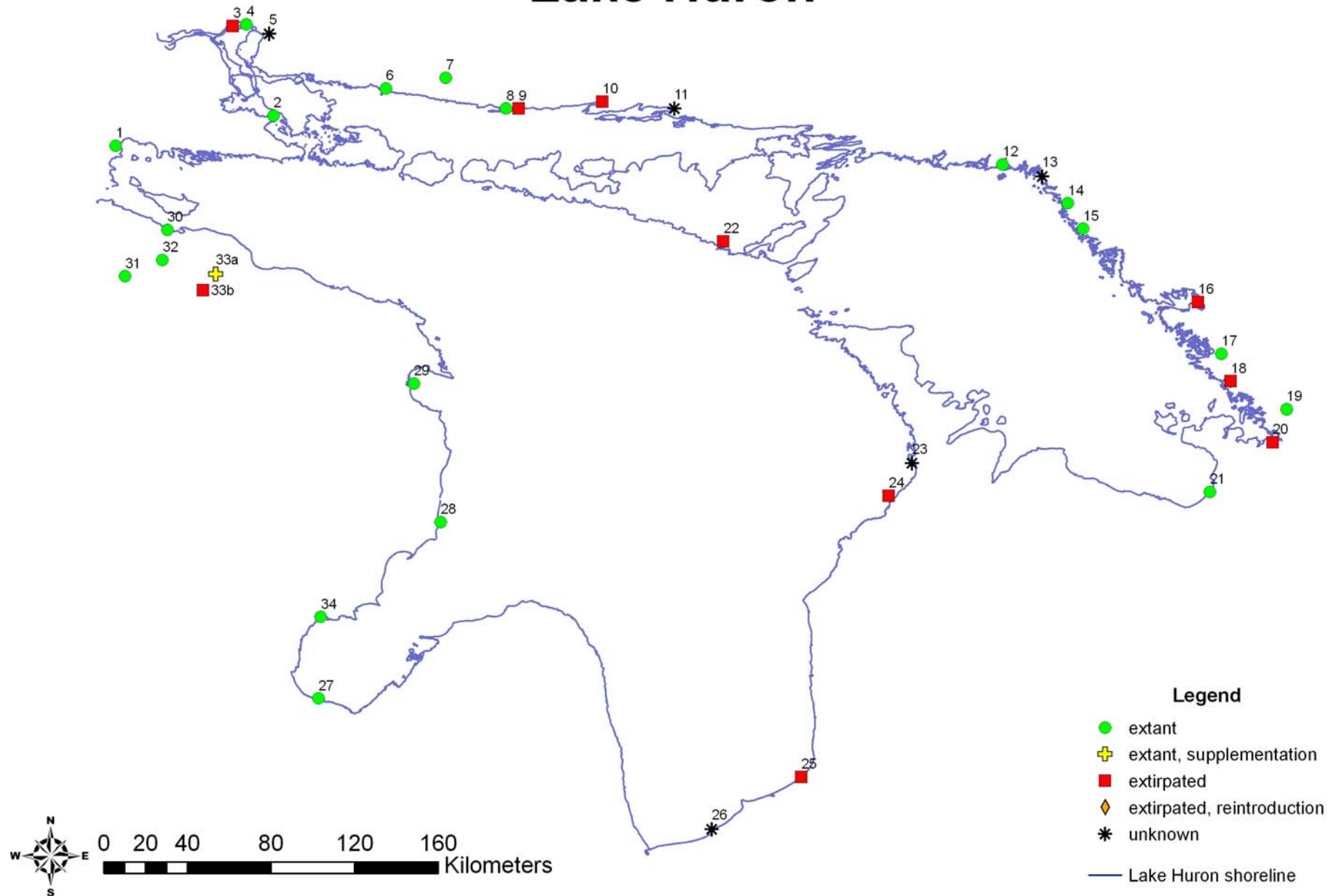
16	East/West Twin Rivers	Extirpated							
17	Manitowoc River	Extirpated, Re-I			Occ				
18	Sheboygan River	Extirpated			Occ				
19	Barr Creek	Extirpated							
20	Milwaukee River	Extirpated, Re-I			Occ	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk
21	Root River	Extirpated							
22	Chicago Reef complex	Extirpated							
23a	St. Joseph R. (below last dam)	Extant	Unk		Occ	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unk
23b	St. Joseph R. (between dams)	Unk	Unk		Unk	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unk
24	St. Joseph Shoal	Unk	Unk		Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
25	Kalamazoo River	Extant	<25		Yes	Yes	Yes	Unk	Unk
26	Grand River	Extant	<25		Yes	Yes	Yes	Unk	Unk
27	Muskegon River	Extant	<100		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
28	White River	Unk	Unk		Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
29	Ludington Shoal	Unk	Unk		Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
30	Pere Marquette River	Unk	Unk		Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
31a	Manistee R. (below last dam)	Extant	21–66		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
31b	Manistee R. (above last dam)	Unk	Unk		Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
32	Boardman River	Extirpated			Occ				
33	Bear Creek	Unk	Unk		Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk

Allowed Harvest: Upper Menominee River: recreational hook and line fishery during September, 152 cm minimum length, 1 fish limit.

Lower Menominee River: catch and release only hook and line fishery during September. Lake Winnebago: annual recreational spear fishery , 16 day February season or until harvest cap is reached, 45” minimum.length, 1 fish limit.

No harvest allowed throughout the rest of the Lake Michigan basin.

Lake Sturgeon Status Lake Huron



Lake Huron

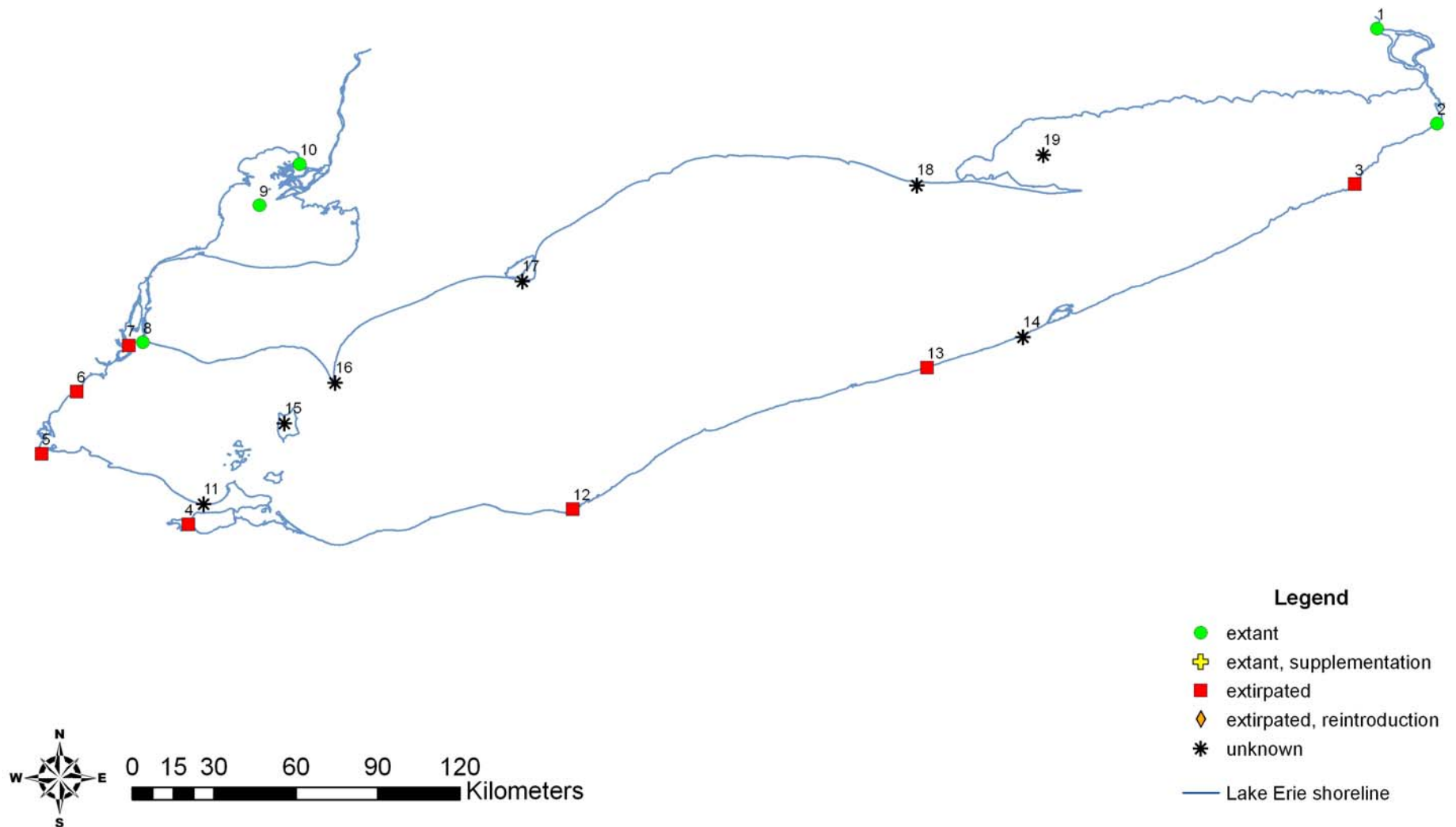
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Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Observations:				Reproduction Successful?
				Adults	Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
Lake Huron								
1	Carp River, MI	Extant	Unk	Yes	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk
2	St. Marys River, MI ON	Extant	<100	Yes	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk
3	Root River, ON	Extirpated						
4	Garden River, ON	Extant	Unk	Yes	Occ	Yes	Unk	Unk
5	Echo River, ON	Unk						
6	Thessalon River, ON	Extant	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
7	Mississagi River, ON	Extant	150	Yes	Yes	Unk	Occ	Yes
8	Mississagi River,On(landlocked)	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes	Unk	Unk	Unk
9	Blind River, ON	Extirpated						
10	Serpent River, ON	Extirpated						
11	Spanish River, ON	Unk						
12	French River, ON	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
13	Key River, ON	Unk						
14	Magnetawan River, ON	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
15	Naiscoot River, ON	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
16	Seguin River, ON	Extirpated						
17	Moon River, ON	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
18	Go Home River, ON	Extirpated						
19	Severn River, ON	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
20	Sturgeon River, ON	Extirpated						
21	Nottawasaga River, ON	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes	Occ	Occ	Yes
22	Manitou River, ON	Extirpated						
23	Sauble River, ON	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
24	Saugeen River, ON	Extirpated						
25	AuSable River, ON	Extirpated						
26	Blue Point, ON	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Occ	Unk
27	Saginaw River, MI	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
28	AuSable River, MI	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
29	Thunder Bay River	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk

30	Cheboygan River	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
31	Burt Lake	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Unk	Unk
32	Mullett Lake	Extant	Unk	Occ	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk
33a	Black Lake	Extant, Supp	≈60	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
33b	Black River	Extirpated						
34	Rifle River	Extant	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk	Yes	Yes

Allowed Harvest: Commercial (Ontario waters) Quota in North Channel, Georgian Bay, and Main basin, limited to the open waters of Lake Huron. No commercial fisheries allowed in the tributaries, commercial fishery scheduled to close January 2009. No recreational harvest allowed as of 2008. Known to exist in Nottawasaga River, Thessalon River, and St. Clair River. Subsistence fisheries also exist on Mississauga River and Garden Rivers.

Lake Sturgeon Status Lake Erie



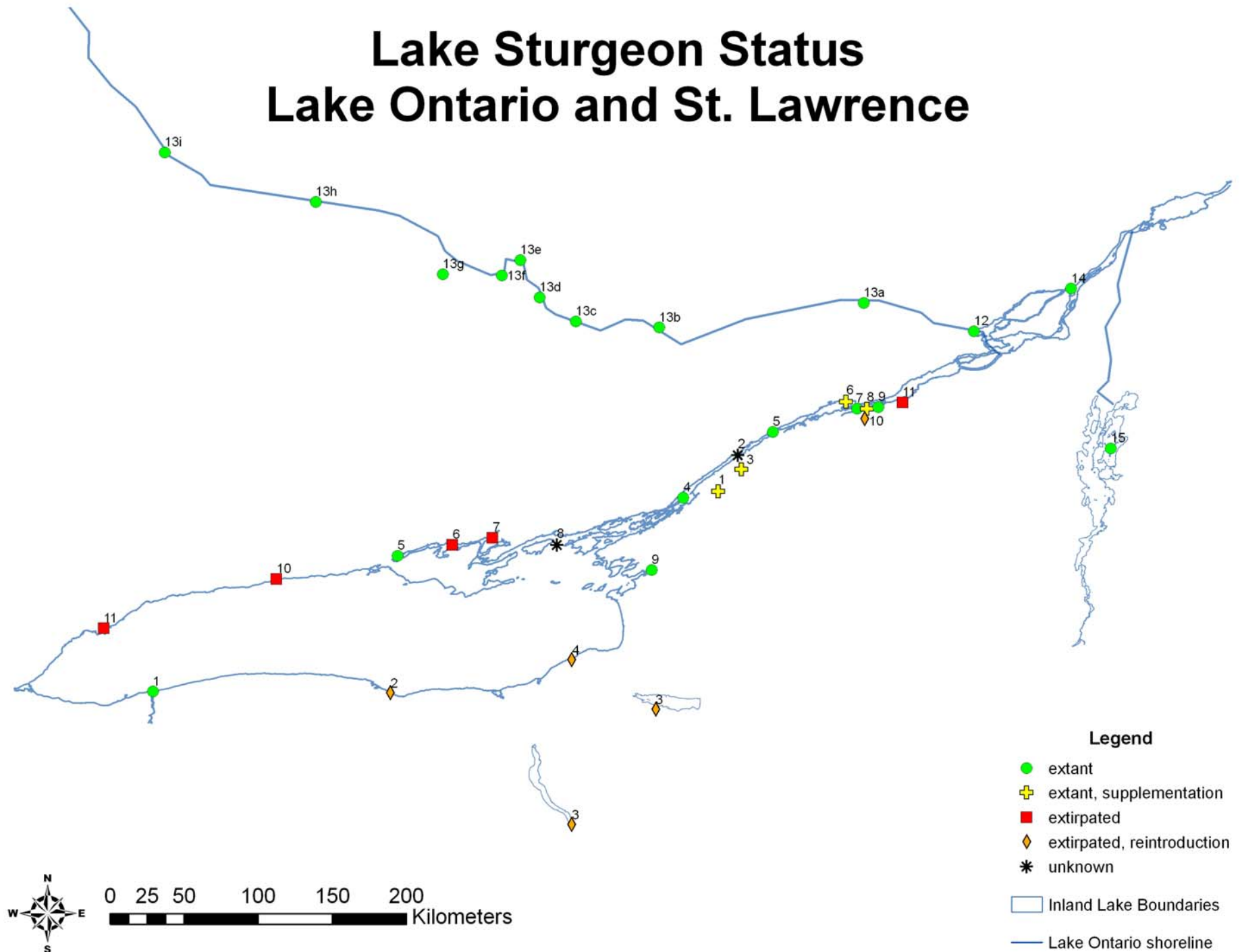
Lake Erie

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Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Adults	Observations:			Reproduction Successful?
					Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
Lake Erie								
1	Upper Niagara River	Extant	Unk	Yes			Occ	Unk
2	Eastern basin (NYS)	Extant		yes			yes	Unk
3	Cattaraugus Creek	Extirpated						
4	Sandusky River	Extirpated						
5	Maumee River	Extirpated						
6	Raisin River	Extirpated						
7	Huron River	Extirpated						
8	Detroit River	Extant	<100	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
9	Lake St. Clair	Extant	Unk	Yes	Unk	Unk	Yes	Unk
10	St. Clair River	Extant	<250	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
11	Portage River	Unk						
12	Cuyahoga River	Extirpated						
13	Conneaut, OH nearshore	Extirpated						
14	Walnut Creek, PA nearshore	Unk						
15	Pelee Island nearshore	Unk						
16	Point Pelee shoals	Unk						
17	Rondeau Harbor	Unk						
18	Clear Creek	Unk						
19	Long Point Bay	Unk						

Allowed Harvest: Commercial harvest in Ontario waters of Lake St. Clair scheduled to close January 2009. Recreational harvest in Michigan waters of Lake St. Clair and St. Clair River only, closed recreational fishery all other areas of the basin.

Lake Sturgeon Status Lake Ontario and St. Lawrence



Lake Ontario/St. Lawrence River

Table 1. Observations or general status of lake sturgeon populations in the Lake Ontario and St. Lawrence River Basin. Population status definitions are: **Extirpated** or **Extant**; **Re-I** (reintroduced) = fish stocked into a system with an extirpated population; **Supp** (supplementation) = fish stocked into a system with an extant population, or **Unk** = unknown. A “**Yes**” indicates regular observation or presumed annual occurrence. Occasional (**Occ**) observations are as noted. Successful reproduction was defined as recent capture of larval or juvenile sturgeon. Notes on allowed harvest follow the table.

Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Observations:				Reproduction Successful?
				Adults	Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
Lake Ontario								
1	Lower Niagara River and Niagara Bar	Extant	Unk	Yes			Yes	Yes
2	Genesee River	Extirpated, Re-I					Yes	
3	Oneida/Cayuga lakes	Extirpated, Re-I					Yes	No
4	Oswego River mouth	Extirpated, Re-I		Occ			Yes	
5	Trent River	Extant	Occ					Yes
6	Salmon River	Extirpated	Unk					
7	Napanee River	Extirpated	Unk					
8	Amherst Island Shoal	Unk	Unk					Unk
9	Black River	Extant	Rem	Yes	Yes		Yes	Unk
10	Ganaraska River	Extirpated						
11	Don River	Extirpated						

Allowed Harvest: None

Basin/Site Number	Site Name	Population Status	Size of Annual Spawning Run	Observations:				Reproduction Successful?
				Adults	Spawning	Larva	Juveniles	
St. Lawrence								
1	Black Lake	Extant, Supp		Occ			Yes	
2	Oswegatchie River mouth	Unk						
3	Oswegatchie River	Extant, Supp		Occ			Yes	
4	St. Lawrence River, Thousand Islands	Extant	Unk	Occ			Yes	No
5	St. Lawrence River, Lake St. Lawrence	Extant	10s	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	St. Lawrence River, Lake St. Lawrence	Extant	~100	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes

6	St. Lawrence River, Lake St. Francis	Extant, Supp	100s	Yes	Occ	Occ	Yes	Occ
7	Grasse River	Extant	10's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
8	Raquette River	Extant, Supp	Unk	Occ				Unk
9	St.Regis River mouth	Extant	Unk (small)	Occ				Unk
10	St.Regis River	Extirpated, Re-I					Yes	
11	Salmon River mouth	Extirpated						
12	Ottawa River mouth, Lac Des Deux Montagnes	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes	Unk	Yes	Yes
13a	Ottawa River – Lac Dollard des Ormeaux	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes			Yes
13b	Ottawa River – Lac Deschenes	Extant	200	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Marginal
13c	Ottawa River – Lac des Chats	Extant	100s	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Marginal
13d	Ottawa River – Lac du Rocher Fendu	Extant	Unk	Yes			Yes	Yes
13e	Ottawa River – Lac Coulonge	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
13f	Ottawa River – Lower Allumette Lake	Extant	100s	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
13g	Ottawa River – Upper Allumette Lake	Extant	Unk (probably >500 cumulatively)	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
13h	Ottawa River – Holden Lake	Extant	20s	Yes	Yes		No	Very limited
13i	Ottawa River – Lac la Cave	Extant	Unk	Yes	Unk			Unk
14	St. Lawrence River from Lac Saint-Louis to the limits of freshwaters (downstream Québec City)	Extant	More than 1000	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes On more than 10 spawning grounds in the River and in the lower reaches of major tributaries
15	Lake Champlain	Extant	Unk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Occ	Yes

Allowed Harvest: Native American harvest on Mohawk Reservation. Recreational and commercial harvest in Quebec portion of the St. Lawrence River.